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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:


In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed form PTO-1449. Copies of the Japanese listed document are also enclosed.

For the concise explanation of relevance for the non-English documents, the Examiner is referred to the accompanying English abstracts. Additionally, please note that Japanese Patent No. JP - 11119131 corresponds to U.S. Patent No. 6,313,906 (Nagasaka et al.).

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

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Respectfully submitted,


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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS							
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FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS							
		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	TRANSLATION YES/NO/ OR ABSTRACT
	JP	11119131	04/30/99	Japan			Abstract and Corres. U.S. Pat. No. 6313906
	JP	2058014	02/27/90	Japan			English Abstract
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